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Greetings--

My name is Kyle Anderson, I am a graduate student at SCSU, and a born and raised citizen of Connecticut.

I was at the capitol last night and I testified against the proposed 10% budget cut to the CSU system. This is the synopsis of my testimony.

I also sent my representatives a copy of The Noctua Review, our graduate literary and arts review in fall, for which I am Assistant Editor. It was sent with a letter outlining my concern about the budget. Project such as The Noctua Review supply Connecticut business leaders who testified last night with an "able workforce" who can "think for themselves" and "get things done."

I'm a project manager for a team of eight people, some of whom are fifteen years older than me. We successfully meet a series of deadlines, solicit work from unpaid contributors, and navigate the policy and guidelines of a state-funded institution to produce a tangible product that is beneficial to the program, community, and university. We look forward to our release of the 2011 Review on May 1st.

With a 10% budget cut, The Noctua Review will have to ask for funding in the form of alms. A faculty member has already been asked if she would be willing to fund the project herself because of what's happening in Hartford.

The budget cut is not a solution for Connecticut's students, Connecticut's business leaders, or Connecticut's economy.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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